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**PATENT**  
5589-04400/KT-1040A

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Ashkenasz et al.

Serial No. 09/932,580

Filed: August 17, 2001

For: **METHOD OF INTERFACING  
ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT TO FIMS  
PROCESSING STATIONS**

Group Art Unit: 2125  
Examiner: Garland, Steven R.

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**PETITION TO CLAIM BENEFIT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)**  
**OF PRIOR FILED PROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby petitions, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(6), to claim benefit for this application under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of prior provisional application Serial No. 60/226,336 filed August 18, 2000. Applicant has previously submitted a corrected Declaration which lists the earlier provisional application, and amended the specification to contain reference to the earlier provisional application.

Applicant states that the entire delay between the date the claim for the benefit of the earlier application was due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(5)(i) and the date this claim is filed was unintentional.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the required petition fee to Daffer McDaniel, LLP deposit account no. 50-3268/5589-04400.

Respectfully submitted,



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